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PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY AND PILOT PROGRAM

BISMARCK – Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem will be holding a Prescription Drug Take Back Day in Bismarck and in Fargo, to give residents of those cities and the surrounding areas safe way to dispose of unused prescription medications.

The Take Back day kicks off the state's pilot program, which provides permanent prescription drug disposal containers in four cities, Bismarck, Minot, Fargo and Grand Forks. Beginning this week, residents of those cities and surrounding communities can safely dispose of unused prescription drugs in the permanent Take Back disposal containers located in the lobby of the local police departments in those cities.

The Take Back day is operating in conjunction with the Prescription Drug Abuse Conference and will run from 12:00 noon through 5:30 PM each day at the following locations:

- Tuesday December 8, 2009, in the lobby of the Radisson Hotel Lobby, 605 E. Broadway, Bismarck; and
- Wednesday December 9, 2009, in the lobby of the Ramada Plaza Suites Hotel, 1635 42nd Street South (I-29 & I-94), Fargo.

Drug agents will be on hand to answer questions.

Response to the Prescription Drug Abuse summit has been "overwhelming," according to Stenehjem, who added, "Over six hundred people pre-registered for this conference, and both locations are full."

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